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WHITEHOUSE PASS TO NSC FOR RICE AND DESHAZER;
JOINT STAFF FOR CHAIRMAN, DIR JS, J3;
SECDEF FOR OSD/ISA

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TAGS: MARR, PREF, PREL, PHUM, MOPS, PGOV, RW, UNSC
SUBJECT: RPF WANTS SMALLER FORCE

REF: USUN-DEPT FAX 5/10

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1. LIMITED OFFICIAL USE - ENTIRE TEXT.

2. RPF REPS DUSAIDI AND GAHIMA MET WITH USUN POLOFF MAY 11 TO SHARE THE RPF'S REACTIONS TO THE SYG'S NON-PAPER LAYING OUT "INDICATIVE CONTINGENCY PLANNING" FOR RWANDA. THE RPF WOULD ACCEPT A UN HUMANITARIAN FORCE IN RWANDA, BUT BELIEVES THE RECOMMENDED FORCE OF 5,500 TROOPS IS FAR TOO BIG. THEY POINTED OUT THAT CIVILIANS NEED PROTECTION ONLY IN A SMALL PORTION OF THE COUNTRY (BUTARE, GIKONGORO AND CYANGUGU PROVINCES IN THE SOUTH WEST). THEY CLAIMED THAT CIVILIANS IN THE RPF-CONTROLLED PARTS OF THE COUNTRY DID NOT NEED PROTECTION. THE UN WAS FREE TO SEND TROOPS INTO THE RPF AREAS, BUT THEY WOULD FIND NOTHING TO DO THERE. HUMANITARIAN AID WAS FLOWING FREELY, AND NGO'S DID NOT NEED UN SECURITY FOR AID CONVOYS. NO MASSACRES OCCURED IN THE NORTHWEST (HABYARIMANA'S HOME PROVINCE), SINCE THOSE WHO WOULD HAVE BEEN TARGETED HAD BEEN WIPED OUT MANY YEARS AGO. THE RPF BELIEVES A FORCE ALONG THE

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LINES OF THE PRIOR UNAMIR (APPROX. 2500), BUT
BETTER-EQUIPPED, WOULD BE APPROPRIATE.

3. THE RPF WANTS THE UN FORCE TO ARREST AND DETAIN THOSE WHO WERE RESPONSIBLE FOR THE ATROCITIES, UNTIL THEY CAN BE PUT ON TRIAL. THEY STRESSED THAT THEY DID NOT WANT THOSE CRIMINALS TURNED OVER TO THE GOVERNMENT FOR TRIAL. POLOFF SUGGESTED THAT THE RPF ALSO CONSULT ON THIS QUESTION IN GENEVA, WHERE THE UNHRC WOULD BE MEETING SHORTLY TO DISCUSS A POSSIBLE COMMISSION OF INQUIRY, INTER ALIA. RPF REITERATED THAT THEY HOPED A SC RESOLUTION WOULD GIVE UNAMIR THE MANDATE TO ARREST AND HOLD, AND POSSIBLY TRY, SUCH CRIMINALS.

4. THE RPF ALSO NOTED THAT IT WANTED TO BE CONSULTED ON THE COMPOSITION OF THE FORCE, AS TROOPS CONTRIBUTORS WERE CHOSEN. THEY WERE ALARMED AT THE LARGE NUMBER OF FRANCOPHONE COUNTRIES WHO HAD BEEN CONTACTED BY THE SYG. WHILE THEY WOULD NOT AUTOMATICALLY EXCLUDE ALL FRANCOPHONES, THEY ARE SUSPICIOUS OF THE LEVEL OF FRENCH INFLUENCE. THEY CONCLUDED BY NOTING THAT THE RPF DID NOT TRUST SRSG BOOH-BOOH AND COULD NOT WORK WITH HIM ANY LONGER.

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